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AMENDMENTS

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 15 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please amend claims 8 and 11-13 as follows:

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(Twice Amended) Process for making a paper comprising a pattern embossed on at least one side, said pattern being constituted by the combination of at least one ground and at least one inlaid area, at least one of the grounds and at least one of the inlaid areas having wefts with different slants and shapes, by means of a vat paper machine comprising a cylinder, a pick-up felt and a wet press having a top felt, said process comprising the following steps:

- a wet sheet of cellulose fibers comprising water is formed by means of said cylinder.

- the wet sheet is picked up by the pick-up felt and is carried between said wet press to remove the water, and
 - the sheet of cellulose fibers is dried,

wherein the embossed pattern is formed on said sheet before it is dried by applying thereon a cloth that is placed directly on the cylinder, or in place of the pick-up felt, or in place of the top felt on the wet presses, said cloth being metallic or made of plastic material, and said cloth being woven and comprising a pattern, said pattern

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being constituted by a combination of at least one ground and at least one inlaid area, the ground and the inlaid area having wefts with different slants and shapes.

- 11. (Twice Amended) A woven cloth comprising a pattern constituted by the combination of at least one ground and at least one inlaid area, the ground and the inlaid area having wefts with different slants and shapes, wherein said cloth is made of a metallic or plastic material.
- 12. (Twice Amended) Woven cloth according to claim 11, wherein said cloth is woven in a single piece comprising the ground and at least one inlaid area.
- 13. (Twice Amended) Woven cloth according to claim 11, wherein said cloth is constituted by a ground having a weft with a certain slant, in which one or several areas have been cut-out and replaced by one or several inlaid areas with a weft slanting in a different direction from that of the ground, the areas being assembled by stitching, welding or gluing at the contour of the areas or by any other process suitable for attaching the inlaid area or areas.

Please add new claims 16-17 as follows:

- 16. (New) Process according to claim 8, wherein said cloth is placed directly on the cylinder.
- 17. (New) Process according to claim 8, wherein said cloth is placed in place of the pick-up felt.